

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows, without prejudice:

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--1. (Amended) A toner for [development of] developing an electrostatically charged image, [said] the toner comprising a binder resin, a colorant, a function imparting agent, and a charge control agent, wherein [said] the binder resin [at least] contains [a] at least one polyolefin resin having a cyclic structure, the [said] polyolefin resin [having] with a cyclic structure [is composed of] has a first resin or a first resin fraction [having] with a number average molecular weight (Mn), as measured by GPC, of less than 7,500, and a second resin or a second resin fraction having [said] a number average molecular weight of 7,500 or more and in [said] the polyolefin resin having a cyclic structure, the second [a] resin or [resin] the second resin fraction having an intrinsic viscosity (i.v.) of 0.25 dl/g or more, and a number average molecular weight (Mn) of 7,500 or more and a weight average molecular weight (Mw) of 15,000 or more, as measured by the GPC method, is contained in a proportion of less than 50% by weight based on the entire binder resin.

2. (Amended) The toner for [development of] developing an electrostatically charged image as claimed in claim 1, wherein [said] the binder resin consists of 1 to 100 parts by weight of [said] the polyolefin resin having a cyclic structure], and 99 to 0 parts by weight of a group of other resin consisting essentially of [comprising one of] a polyester resin, an epoxy resin, a polyolefin resin, a vinyl acetate resin, a vinyl acetate copolymer resin, a styrene-acrylate resin and other acrylate resin, a mixture, hybrid polymers or blends of any of them.

3. (Amended) The toner for [development of] developing an electrostatically charged image as claimed in claim 1, wherein [said] the polyolefin resin having a cyclic structure has at least one polar functional group.

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4. (Amended) The toner for [development of] developing an electrostatically charged image as claimed in claim 3, wherein [said] the polyolefin resin having a cyclic structure has at least one polar functional group selected from the group consisting essentially of a carboxyl group, a hydroxyl group and an amino group.

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7. (Amended) The toner for [development of] developing an electrostatically charged image as claimed in claim 6, wherein [said] the polyolefin resin having a cyclic structure has a structure crosslinked by a diene monomer such as norbornadiene or cyclohexadiene together with[,] ester, amide, sulfide [or], ether, or the acyclic olefin and the cycloolefin and followed by reacting the system to obtain a terpolymeric polyolefin having a cyclic structure.

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13. (Amended) Liquid dried system containing 30% by weight to 50% by weight of a dried polymerized system containing 0.5% by weight to 5% by weight of a charge control agent, 1% by weight to 10% by weight of wax, 0.1% by weight to 2% by weight of aerosol silica or colloidal silica, 1% by weight to 10% by weight of pigment and 85% by weight to 95% by weight of a binder resin; and 50% by weight to 70% by weight of an electrolytic solution.--

Please add the following new claim:

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--15. The toner for developing an electrostatically charged image as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polyolefin resin having a cyclic structure with a high molecular weight further has a glass transition temperature T_g of lower than 70°C.--

REMARKS

This amendment is made in response to Office Action mailed July 12, 2000, with the term for reply extended two months. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejections of this application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments, remarks and attachments herewith.